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Comdr. Harold A. Keats
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Washington, D. C.

Dear Commander Keats:

Since returning after hearing the description of what you intend to do, I have taken up with our budget and legal people and find that there is no way in which we can expend any of our appropriations along the lines you suggested.

Also, there is no direct Air Force transportation to the Philippines so it looks as if we are stymied on that proposition too. However, I believe that you have a good idea in mind and I hope it can be put through.

Very sincerely yours,

/s/ and dispatched via ER 6/8/49

R. H. Hillenkoetter
Rear Admiral, USN
Director of Central Intelligence

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